



## 2010 ANNUAL RECYCLING AWARDS



Montgomery County held its annual Recycling Achievement Awards Recognition Program on Thursday, May 27, 2010.

Outstanding achievements in recycling, waste reduction and buying recycled-content products by local businesses, multi-family properties, individuals, and school students were recognized by the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Solid Waste Services. Multi-family awards were presented to twenty multi-family properties and individuals that contributed to excellent recycling programs or made significant recycling program improvements. Awardees demonstrated commitment to maintaining and improving recycling programs, increasing resident awareness and participation, and using creativity to ensure their programs were convenient and effective. Congratulations to all the award winners for their recycling success!

### How can your property or staff qualify for an award in 2011?

- ♻ Evaluate your recycling capacity; the number one concern we hear from multi-family property residents regards insufficient recycling capacity.
- ♻ Ensure that your Annual Recycling and Waste Reduction Report includes quantitative information regarding ALL of the materials your property recycles as well as information on educational and waste reduction activities conducted at your property.
- ♻ Educate your residents about recycling and waste reduction on an ongoing basis.
- ♻ Make recycling visible and convenient. Place recycling containers everywhere recyclable materials are generated and/or wherever you have trash containers.

Let the TRRAC team know what you accomplish! Call 240-777-6446, visit [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling), or e-mail [lauren.kuhn@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:lauren.kuhn@montgomerycountymd.gov).

# EXCELLENCE



## Excellence in Recycling

Awarded to multi-family properties, property management companies, and resident recycling committees that established and/or contributed to excellent recycling programs.

Mr. Isiah Leggett, Montgomery County Executive, and personnel from Montgomery County's Division of Solid Waste Services (DSWS) presented the awards. Pictured with the awardees in the photographs below, from left to right: Ms. Eileen Kao, Chief, Waste Reduction and Recycling Section, DSWS; Mr. Isiah Leggett, County Executive; and Mr. Alan Pultyniewicz, Recycling Coordinator, DSWS.



Mr. Jasper Jiang

**Ingleside at King Farm**, a new property in Rockville, is off to a great start, recycling 73 percent of its solid waste in 2009 as a result of its comprehensive recycling program.



**Leisure World's** eighty-five hundred residents and staff remain committed to recycling year after year, as demonstrated by recycling 53 percent of their waste in 2009.



The residents at **The Bennington** recycled 53 percent of their waste in 2009, in response to the many convenient aspects of the property's recycling program.



Mr. Philip Palmer

At **The Riviera of Chevy Chase**, recycling containers are placed next to all trash containers, making it easy for the residents to recycle 65 percent of their waste, which they did in 2009.

# OUTSTANDING



## Outstanding Improvement

Awarded to multi-family properties that made significant improvements to their recycling programs.



The residents at **Eastern Village Cohousing** in Silver Spring are engaged in their recycling program; creating unique recycling signage is one way they helped their community reach a 46 percent recycling rate.



The recycling rate at **Falkland Chase** in Silver Spring almost doubled to 25 percent in 2009 as a result of their residents' tremendous response to increased recycling capacity to accommodate cardboard and scrap metal.



The new management team at **The Fenestra at Rockwell Town Square** made improving their recycling program a priority. As a result of their efforts, the recycling rate increased 15 percent in one year to 37 percent in 2009.



Mr. Daniel Carrion

From a community container for packing peanuts to well maintained recycling collection areas, the staff at **The Gallery at White Flint** makes recycling easy. Last year, the property achieved a 32 percent recycling rate, up 10 percent from 2008.



Ms. Meghan Dooley

**Highland House West** in Chevy Chase has seen its recycling rate rise to 36 percent in 2009 as a result of excellent communication with residents and overall recycling and waste reduction activities including recycling or reusing carpeting, electronics, clothing, books, and ink cartridges.



Ms. Sally Colgan

The residents at **Oak Hill Apartments** in Silver Spring recycled 34 percent of their waste in 2009, up more than 10 percent from 2008, as a result of additional recycling capacity for residents to recycle mixed paper and commingled materials.



Mr. Pedro Ayes and Ms. Jean Garfinkle

The recycling rate at **Park Bethesda Apartments** more than tripled to 27 percent in 2009 as a result of updated recycling signage and additional recycling capacity due to increased resident recycling participation.



Mr. Bradley Halverson

**Westchester Rockville Station**, a new property, ensured residents were greeted with a comprehensive recycling program, including apartment-sized recycling bins and sufficient capacity for their cardboard moving boxes. They recycled 22 percent of their waste in 2009.

# OUTSTANDING



## Outstanding Individual Achievement

Awarded to individuals at multi-family properties for their outstanding efforts to improve recycling programs and/or increase resident recycling awareness and participation.



**Ms. Jennifer Baker**, Administrative Assistant at the Carleton of Chevy Chase, has spearheaded improvements to the recycling program, increasing the types of materials recycled, creating unique signage, and raising resident awareness through newsletters and notices.



**Grandpa Chris Christensen**, a resident of Eton Place, monitors the property's recycling program daily. He distributes recycling brochures to residents, ensures container labels are legible and sites are clean, and sets an example for his neighbors by breaking down cardboard boxes.



As the new resident manager at Round Hill Apartments in Chevy Chase, **Mr. Melvin Crone** significantly improved the recycling program by adding recycling capacity, distributing apartment-sized recycling bins, and educating the residents about the recycling program.



**Mr. Hector Cruz**, GSI Cleaning Supervisor at the Irene in Chevy Chase, works hard to ensure the recycling program maintains consistently high standards. Mr. Cruz's positive attitude and dedication to recycling make the difference in this successful recycling program.



**Ms. Myriam Lemmerman**, Activities Director at the Oaks at Four Corners, is passionate about helping her residents participate in the property's recycling program. She routinely monitors the program, schedules recycling presentations for staff and residents, and distributes updated information.



Beyond her duties at the front desk, **Ms. Laura Seepersad** serves as the recycling advocate at Silver Spring Towers. Her focus on recycling awareness using move-in packets, newsletters, updated signage, and educational events increases resident recycling participation.



The residents at University Towers benefit from the enthusiasm of fellow resident **Ms. Roslynn Seidenstein**. Steadily through the years, she has ensured the implementation and maintenance of the property's recycling program and has helped educate both staff and residents.



Over the past year, **Mr. Chuck Thornton**, Director of Marketing and Development at Homecrest House, has successfully led the charge for a reinvigorated recycling program. His educational activities and his energy inspire both staff and residents to recycle more.

## Calendar of Events



Sunday, July 25, 2010

### ELECTRONICS RECYCLING COLLECTION

12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

James Hubert Blake High School  
300 Norwood Road  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20905

Tuesday, August 3, 2010

### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Look for special events county-wide or plan your own event (and invite us)!

August 13-21, 2010

### MONTGOMERY COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIR

Montgomery County Fairgrounds  
16 Chestnut Street  
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877

Friday, August 28, 2010

### MCPS BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Carver Educational Services Center  
850 Hungerford Drive  
Rockville, Maryland 20850

For information about these events, call 240-777-6446 or visit [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling).



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## RECYCLE MORE NOW!

### MONTGOMERY COUNTY DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE SERVICES

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County Recycling Center 301-417-1433

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# NEW MATERIALS AVAILABLE!



A new look for the multi-family recycling magnet!

The updated multi-family recycling magnet is bilingual (English/Spanish) and includes pictures of the types of materials that residents can recycle. It also includes a picture of the apartment-sized recycling bin to encourage residents to use one to recycle in their apartment or condominium.

Multi-family resident recycling brochure now available in more languages!

The brochure that explains how to recycle at apartments and condominiums in Montgomery County is now available in the following languages:

- English
- Amharic
- Farsi
- French
- Japanese
- Korean
- Mandarin
- Russian
- Spanish
- Vietnamese



Download or order these materials at [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling) by clicking "Store", or call 240-777-6446.